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Pennsylvania Broilers

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Pennsylvania Broiler Placements Up 4 Percent from the Previous Week

Pennsylvania: Broiler chicks placed in the Commonwealth during the week ending March 29, 2003, were 2,638,000, up 4 percent from the previous week but 3 percent less than the corresponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were 5 percent below 1 year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 3,519,000, up 2 percent from the previous week but 5 percent less than the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 8 percent below the comparable period last year.

Nineteen States: Broiler chicks placed in the 19 Selected States were 169,261,000, up slightly from the previous week but 1 percent less than the corres-

ponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were 2 percent below one year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 204,138,000, down less than 1 percent from the previous week and 2 percent less than the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 2 percent below the comparable period last year.

Expected Marketings: Expected marketings, based on placements 7-9 weeks earlier, less mortality allowance, in Pennsylvania for the week ending May 24, 2003, will be 2,433,000, 9 percent less than a year earlier. The 19 States expected marketings should total 163,418,000, down 2 percent from the previous year.

Broilers Placed, Eggs Set, Expected Marketings

Period Covered	Pennsylvania			19 States				
	Number (1,000)	Percent			Percent			
		Previous Week	Year Earlier	Number (1,000)	Previous Week	Year Earlier		
	Broilers Placed							
Past Week	2,638	104	97	169,261	100	99		
Past 9 Weeks	22,504	-	95	1,495,327	-	98		
	Eggs Set							
Past Week	3,519	102	95	204,138	100	98		
Past 3 Weeks	10,461	-	92	613,196	-	98		
	Expected Marketings							
Week Ending: May 24, 2003	2,433	-	91	163,418	-	98		

Poultry Slaughter: Broiler-fryers slaughtered in Pennsylvania under Federal Inspection during the week ending March 21, 2003, were not available at release time.

The 15 State total was discontinued on May 15, 2002. Data is now being reported as a 19 State total.

Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

State	: Week Ending						
: State : :	Feb 22 : 2003 :		: Mar 8 : 2003		: Mar 22 : 2003	: Mar 29 : 2003	
:	: Thousand						
AL :	28, 185 30, 762	28, 387 30, 603	*27, 895 *30, 315	28, 229 29, 371		27, 832 29, 511	
DE :	3, 288 1, 598	3, 500 1, 627	*1, 630		3, 711 1, 634	3, 633 1, 597	
GA : KY : MD :	31, 336 6, 358 9, 351	31, 708 6, 457 9, 371	*31, 946 *6, 740 10, 110	30, 759 6, 200 10, 053	30, 862 *6, 316 *9, 509	30, 796 6, 291 9, 487	
MS :	18, 749 18, 728	19, 066 18, 788	19, 097 *18, 816		19, 110 18, 680	19, 116 18, 985	
OK : PA :	6, 632 3, 136	6, 373		6, 672	*6, 580 *3, 446	6, 219 3, 519	
SC :	,	14, 810	4, 814 14, 750	14, 743	4, 903 14, 495		
VA : CA, LA, MO, TN, & WV:			6, 711 *20, 897		6, 637 *20, 871	•	
19 State Total :	204, 584	206, 309	*207, 324	*204, 095	*204, 963	204, 138	
Previous Year Total :	,	,	,		,	,	
Pct. of Prev. Year :	97	98	99	98	98	98	

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Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

State :	: Week Ending						
State	Feb 22 : 2003 :				: Mar 22 :	Mar 29 2003	
:	: Thousand						
AL	21, 200	20, 287	21, 816		21, 568	20, 954	
AR :	24, 509	24, 680	25, 491	23, 738	*24, 173	24, 592	
DE :	5, 189	4, 997	4, 688	4, 570	*4, 988	5, 388	
FL :	1, 491	1, 752	1, 798	1, 668	1, 566	1, 632	
GA :	25, 415	25, 634	24, 378	*24, 826	*25, 486	25, 212	
KY :	5, 491	5, 503	5, 204	5, 265	5, 298	5, 558	
MD :	5, 695	5, 920	5, 242	6, 260	*6, 108	6, 067	
MS :	15, 757	15, 534	15, 579	15, 850	16, 374	16, 390	
NC :	14, 011	14, 332	14, 199	14, 729	*15, 066	15, 134	
OK :	4, 091	4, 840	3, 634	4, 458	4, 825	4, 357	
PA :	2, 523	2, 422	2, 479	*2, 358	*2, 528	2, 638	
SC :	3, 708	3, 134	4, 812	4, 430	*3, 827	4, 020	
TX :	11, 869	11, 657	11, 952	12, 373	12, 399	12, 247	
VA :	5, 286	5, 847	5, 854	5, 334	5, 258	5, 449	
CA, LA, MO, TN, & WV:	*18, 234	16, 980	*17, 617	*19, 992	*19, 363	19, 623	
19 State Total	*164, 469	163, 519	*164, 743	*167, 330	*168, 827	169, 261	
Previous Year Total :	170, 461	169, 215	171, 686	172, 382	171, 346	171, 323	
Pct. of Prev. Year :	: 96	97	96	97	99	99	

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